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1. In general it must be stated that the supply position in almost all branches of industry is very poor. As regards metallurgical products, the existing bottlenecks, especially in rolled steel products, could be overcome by making the total half yearly allocations available as advance allocations to priority firms.
2. As a result of raising the target figures for vehicle construction, a shortage of 25 tons of fine bar steel has arisen.
3. In connection with the fulfilment of priority targets, particularly in the field of electric motors, the delivery by the Deutsche Handels-Zentrale of agreed allocations is very inadequate. Thus the fulfilment of a Polish export contract for vehicle lighting fuses is doubtful because of the lack of brass strip of the requisite size. Particular difficulties are arising in exports as a result of the shortage of cast iron.
4. Because only 2 tons of the 120 tons of cast aluminum required for the 1st quarter have been received, the filling of priority and export orders could not be ensured.
5. The proportion of private firms to publicly-owned firms in the radio industry is now approximately 1.2%.
6. Although a supplementary allocation of eight million square meters of woven cotton material was made to the Ministry of Trade and Supply, there was no noticeable increase in stocks.
7. Stocks of yarn are so large that the firms' canteens are being used as storerooms.

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Bottleneck materials

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Item</u>
Air-conditioning & heating plants	Medium and fine metal sheet
Pipeline construction	Seamless and welded pipe fittings and flanges
Local utilities	Metal sheet and pipe
Harrows	Fine bar steel
Electric motors	Lacquered copper wire
Plastics	Polystyrol
Fats and confectionery	Waxed paper
Liquor	Corks
Farinaceous foods	Cartons
Drawing and embossing parts	Hot and cold-rolled strip; drawn wire of below 100 kg. tensile strength; brass and aluminum strip
Transportable ovens	0.9 to 3 mm sheet, grey cast iron and fire clay
Plating	Zinc, lead, tin and all anodes

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